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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

Notices of FIRMS

NOTICE.

WE have This Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at AMOY. Mr F. F. ELWELL will Act as our AGENT at that Port.

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877. jy2

NOTICE.

M. WILHELM CARL ENGEL-BRECHT VON PUSTAU, Junior, and Mr CONRAD MUNROE DONNER, have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the First of January, 1877.

W.M. PUSTAU & CO.,

Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai.

Hongkong, April 16, 1877. jy16

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIPPING BROKER at this Port, under my own name.

W. H. SIEGFRIED.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877. my20

NOTICE.

M. R. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the BUSINESS of my OFFICE, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyd's Register of Shipping, 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877. my18

NOTICE.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY. ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Under-signed.

WM. CRUCKSHANK, Manager.

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

WE, the Under-signed, beg to inform the Public of Hongkong and Kowloon that the Charter of our Steam-launch CUM SING (plying between Pedder's Wharf and Tsui-ka-ko) by Mr Buxoo, will expire on the 30th instant, after which time the said Launch will ply on the same route on our own account; having no connection whatever with the late Charterer.

The Fare will be as usual until further notice.

WING KEE & CO., Praya Central, Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my39

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to furnish the Under-signed with a List of their Contribution for the Year ending 31st December, 1876, in order that the distribution of the Net Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st August next, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877. sol

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. STOUT intends visiting JAPAN shortly, and would be glad if those who wish to consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early Day.

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.

Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE CO.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. of 20, Old BROAD STREET, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietor,

WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary.

187, Leadenhall Street, LONDON,

1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE CO.

20, Old Broad Street,

London,

1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

CAPITAL, \$1,000,000 STERLING.

RESERVE FUND, \$40,000.

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT CO., and has Appointed Mr A. McIver as its AGENT in HONG-KONG.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE CO. by any First Class Steamer.

A. McIver, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877. my17

FRAUD!!!

A REWARD OF \$200.

IT Having come to our knowledge that some unscrupulous men have been obtaining Business from our Customers in our Name "ATICK," causing much inconvenience both to ourselves and Customers, we beg to notify the Public that in giving their orders to us, they should take care that they are given to our proper representative known as "ATICK," or to persons who will exhibit our Trade Card. We also hereby offer a REWARD of \$200 to any one who shall give such information as shall lead to the prosecution and conviction of those unscrupulous men who obtain Business from our Customers by the false assumption of OUR NAME.

ATICK,

Tailor, Corner of Wellington, and Wyndham Streets,

Hongkong, May 8, 1877. my17

NOW Ready.

THE CHINA REVIEW, No. 5, VOL. V.

Annual Subscription, Six Dollars and a Half.

CONTENTS.

Chinese Natural Theology. Notes on Chinese Grammar. Deer-Stalking in China (Concluded from page 224.) Chinese Etymology, with a List of Primitive and Key to Shew-Wan.

Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ting-ming. Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence. Collectanea Bibliographica.

Notes and Queries. The "King Kiao" or Nestorian Religion. The Shua of the King of Ch'u. Tonic Sol-fa Notation in China.

Rath a Delicacy. Domestic Torture. Do. Do.

Do. Do. Elop's Fables in Sanskrit and Chinese. Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,

Hongkong, May 12, 1877.

LANDED EX S. S. "SCINDIA," &c.

Mixed PICKLES. Wiltshire Preserved BACON.

WHITE ONIONS. PATE DE FOI GRAS.

PICCALLILI. CHAMPIGNONS.

CHOW CHOW. Worcester SAUCE.

Assorted SAUCES. Kippered HERRINGS.

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Anchovy PASTE. Herrings in SARDINES.

Timed VEGETABLES. Oxford SAUSAGES.

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SPIRITS. Jugged HARE.

SACCONIe's Pale Dry SHERRY. Hennessy's BRANDY.

Do. Invalids' PORT. Courvoisier's Do.

Haut PORT. La Grande Marque Do.

Krug's CHAMPAGNE. Rouyer Guillet & Co. Do.

Heidsieck's Do. S. Bordin's "Old Tom."

Pommery & Grano's Do. AVH GIN.

Do. MOSELLE. Draught PORTER.

CLARETS, in Great Variety, Bulk and Bottled.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.

Hongkong, May 14, 1877.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

NEW BOOKS.

JUST OPENED AND FOR SALE.

FRESH DRUGS, CHEMICALS.

PATENT MEDICINES.

NOVELS by Popular Authors.

WORKS of Reference.

EDUCATIONAL BOOKS.

Presentation BOOKS richly Illustrated.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Children's TOY BOOKS, &c., &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, May 10, 1877. my24

FOR SALE.

HENRIOT & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE.

Carte Blanche "Dry."

TH. ROEDER & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE.

Carte Blanche.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE S. S. *Candia*, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 8, 1877. my15

S. S. *PENGUIN*, FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Opium will also be landed unless taken delivery before Noon To-morrow. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, May 8, 1877. my15

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Arratoon Apcar*, Capt. A. B. MacTAVISH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 8, 1877. my15

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glenfinlas*, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned and stored in their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is given before 2 p.m. To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 8, 1877. my15

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. *A V. A.*

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Copernic*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-morrow, at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Friday, the 18th Inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY, Agent. Hongkong, May 12, 1877. my18

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH SHIP CARRICKS, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ROSSINA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

ROSETTA MCNEIL, American barque, Captain Brown.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

NYASSE, British ship, Captain W. S. Garrick.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

TULLOCHEGUM, British 8-m. schooner, Captain Mason.—Wieland & Co.

NELSON, British s'amer, Capt. Thomas Staples.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HANNAH LAW, British ship, Captain R. Greig.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

VESTA, German barque, Captain R. Dirks.—Molchers & Co.

HANNAH & MARY, British barque, Capt. A. Smith.—Order.

TEWKESBURY L. SWEAT, American barque, Captain Wm. Griffin.—Meyer & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "YESO," Capt. S. Ashton, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 16th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, May 14, 1877. my15

FOR AMOY & TAMSUI.

The Steamship "TAIWAN," Captain M. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, May 14, 1877. my16

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports to land Mails and Passengers.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BRISBANE" will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 22nd Instant, at Noon. For Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 14, 1877. my22

STEAMSHIP SCINDIA, FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Goods by the above Steamer are hereby notified, that the Cargo will be landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned (the Hongkong Wharf and Godowns, Wanchi), whence and from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Goods remaining in store after the 21st Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be sent on, unless notice to the contrary be received before 2 p.m. To-day.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MEYER & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 14, 1877. my23

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 13, *Highlander*, American ship, 1352, Hutchinson, Boston Nov. 27, Ice and General.—CAPTAIN.

May 13, *Taiwan*, British steamer, 408, M. Young, Tamsui May 9, Amoy 11, and Swatow 12, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

May 13, *Adria*, British steamer, 781, W. E. Breeze, Bombay April 21, and Singapore May 6, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

May 13, *Sunder*, British steamer, 1432, E. J. Langley, London March 17, via ports of call, and Singapore May 5, General.—MEYER & Co.

May 14, *Pernambuco*, British steamer, 643, Wm. Hyde, Bangkok May 6, Rice and General.—STEINSEN & Co.

May 14, *Gustav Adolf*, German barque, from Wampoa.

May 14, *Penedo*, British steamer, 652, J. Calm, Hoilow May 13, General.—SIEGMUND & Co.

May 14, *Terrea*, for Manila.

May 14, *A. T. Stalkecht*, for Saigon.

May 14, *Evening Star*, for Haiphong.

May 14, *Zamboanga*, for Cootown.

May 14, *Glamorganshire*, for Bangkok.

May 14, *Ruth*, for San Francisco.

May 14, *Thon Kranom*, for Bangkok.

May 14, *Salvadora*, for Amoy.

May 14, *Tibre*, for Yokohama.

May 14, *Ava*, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Wealthy Pendleton, for Keelung.

Arabella, for Swatow.

Norna, for Swatow.

Irene, for Newchwang.

Alize, for Keelung.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Taiwan*, from Coast Ports, 22 Chinese.

Per *Scindia*, from Straits, 91 Chinese.

Per *Pernambuco*, from Bangkok, 1 European, and 6 Chinese deck.

Per *Penedo*, from Hoilow, 35 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Tibre* for Yokohama, Messrs. Kane-

matou, Sone, Yamamoto, Rutherford,

Rokuro, Kikuchi, Kleiman, Dalman,

Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tam-

mania, New Zealand, and Melbourne.

Correspondence cannot be Registered after

11.15 a.m.

The Mails will be closed at 11.30 a.m.

Correspondence for New Zealand must be

specielly directed vid *Torres Straits*, or

it will be sent vid Galle.

Correspondence for Southern Australia can

be sent by this route if desired, but as

a general rule it is better to send it vid Galle.

Hongkong, May 14, 1877. my22

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *ZAMBESI*

will be despatched with the Mails for

Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 19th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, &c.,

Friday, 18th Instant.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 19th Instant.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of

Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters, Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)

may be posted on payment of a

to Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, May 11, 1877. my19

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.

The Australian Contract Packet *BRIS-*

BANE, will be despatched from Hong-

kong on TUESDAY, the 22nd Inst., with

Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid

Marseille; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, &c.,

Friday, May 26th.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post

Office closes except the NIGHT Box,

which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 27th.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of

Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)

may be posted on payment of a

SUPPLEMENT
TO THE
CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, 14TH MAY, 1877.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.		Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.		5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.		6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.		7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.		8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor-age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Adria	2 h	Breeze	Brit. str.	781	May 13	P. & O. S. N. Co.	.....	Wanchai Pier.
Albay	5 h	Lopez	Span. str.	460	May 10	Chinese	Amoy	
Anchises	5 c	Butler	Brit. str.	1304	May 12	Butterfield & Swire	London, &c.	To-morrow
Arratoon Apcar	5 h	McTavish	Brit. str.	1392	May 8	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Spore, Calcutta, &c.	17th inst.
Ava	5 c	Hernandez	Fch. str.	2106	May 12	Messagers Maritimes	Shanghai	at daylight
Cairnsnuir	4 c	Spowart	Brit. str.	1120	May 3	Holliday, Wise & Co.	Hankow	
Cheang Hock Kian	1 h	Webb	Brit. str.	956	May 10	Soon Cheong & Co.	Spore and Penang	
City of Peking	4 h	Tanner	Amer. str.	5078	May 1	P. M. S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F'cisco	To-morrow
Feronia	...	Schultz	Ger. str.	1081	May 20	Ah Yon	Saigon	at daylight
Glenlyon	5 c	Wallace	Brit. str.	1378	May 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Fyochow	Coast Dock
Golden Horn	2 h	Alton	Brit. str.	1024	May 9	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Killarney	...	O'Neill	Brit. str.	660	May 6	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Saigon	
Macgregor	2 h	Newell	Brit. str.	2465	May 12	Gilman & Co.	Cooktown	
Mecca	4 c	Johnson	Brit. str.	687	May 9	Hop Kee & Co.		
Nelson	5 h	Staples	Brit. str.	694	April 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Ningpo	...	Cass	Brit. str.	701	May 1	Siemsen & Co.	.....
Norma	2 h	Walker	Brit. str.	606	May 11	Kwok Acheong	Swatow	K'loong Dock
Penguin	5 h	Cowell	Brit. str.	1122	May 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Bangkok	To-morrow
Perambuco	5 c	Hyde	Brit. str.	643	May 14	Siemsen & Co.	Amoy and Manila	To-day
Salvadora	4 h	Hornaechea	Span. str.	615	May 7	Brandao & Co.	Shanghai	
Scindia	7 h	Langley	Brit. str.	1432	May 13	Meyer & Co.	Amoy and Tamsui	16th, noon
Taiwan	5 h	Young	Brit. str.	408	May 9	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Tibre	5 c	Girard	Fch. str.	1009	May 9	Messagers Maritimes	Spore, Calcutta, &c.	17th inst.
Venice	4 c	Rhoda	Brit. str.	1271	May 9	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Coast Ports	To-morrow
Yesso	5 h	Ashton	Brit. str.	559	May 12	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		Repairing
Yottung	2 h	.....	Brit. str.	324	June 9	Kwok Acheong	.....
Sailing Vessels								
Adela	4 c	Beattie	Brit. bge.	354	May 8	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	New York	
Albert Russell	8 c	Carver	Amer. bge.	762	April 13	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Keelung	
Aline	8 c	Gilbert	Brit. bge.	299	May 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Cebu	
Alphington	4 c	Cunningham	Brit. bge.	326	May 10	Wieler & Co.	London	
America	2 h	Holt	Ger. sh.	1219	May 1	Siemsen & Co.	Keelung	
Arabella	8 c	Pearson	Brit. bge.	665	April 10	Moyer & Co.		
Aurora	3 c	Minne	Brit. bge.	295	May 3	Chinese		
Beethoven	8 c	Haje	Ger. bge.	340	May 7	Melchers & Co.		
Bonita	4 c	Steter	Ger. 3m. sc.	346	May 8	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Canton	4 k	Orantz	Ger. bge.	373	May 9	Siemsen & Co.	New York	
Carrolls	8 c	Carr	Brit. bge.	916	May 10	Meyer & Co.	London	
Ceres	4 k	Specht	Ger. bge.	420	May 6	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Touron	
Channel Queen	8 c	Lucheur	Brit. sh.	609	May 6	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Charité	2 h	Bervé	Fch. bge.	255	May 2	Carlowitz & Co.		
Charlotte Andrews	4 c	Place	Brit. bge.	356	May 1	Rozario & Co.		
Cheng Soon	2 h	Cheng Sang	Span. sch.	200	April 30	Chinese		
Cooran	8 c	Millar	Amer. sch.	230	April 19	Insurance Company		
Dentschland	4 c	Tiemann	Ger. bge.	265	May 6	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York	
Ellen Rickmers	4 c	Weydemann	Ger. bge.	307	April 28	Melchers & Co.		
Emma	3 c	Gran	Ger. bge.	340	May 2	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Femeralda	4 k	Hansen	Ger. bge.	787	May 10	Order		
Fabius	2 h	Holze	Span. sch.	635	April 28	Kin-tie-loong		
Fleetwing	8 c	Guest	Amer. sh.	829	May 7	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Gustav & Marie	4 c	Doose	Ger. sh.	345	May 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Hannah & Mary	8 c	Smith	Brit. bge.	366	May 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	P. & O. Wharf	
Hannah Law	2 h	Greig	Brit. sh.	1299	April 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Helena	8 c	Snow	Amer. bge.	603	May 4	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Highlander	5 h	Hutchinson	Span. bge.	1352	May 13	Captain		
Hydra	8 c	Dest	Ger. sch.	785	May 27	Siemsen & Co.	Callao	
Irene	4 c	Hansen	Ger. sch.	266	May 6	Carlowitz & Co.	London	
Lalla Rookh	2 h	Hender	Brit. sh.	814	April 20	Melchers & Co.	London	
Leucadia	8 c	Mearns	Amor. sch.	799	April 12	Meyer & Co.		
Lolterer	7 h	Vincent	Ger. 3m. sc.	245	May 45	Insurance Cos.		
Louisa	4 k	Schierloh	Brit. bge.	970	May 11	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	New York	
Madura	8 c	Stanton	Brit. bge.	611	Mar. 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Mornington	2 c	Michaelson	Span. bge.	406	Feb. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	
New Era	8 c	Sawyer	Span. bge.	570	May 27	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Nyassa	8 c	Garrison	Brit. sh.	1080	April 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Onward	2 c	Morton	Brit. sch.	799	April 7	Wm. Pustau & Co.	London	
Rosetta McNeil	3 c	Brown	Amer. bge.	611	Mar. 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Rosina	8 c	Hansen	Am. 3m. sc.	406	Feb. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
St. Joseph	8 c	Dumont	Fch. bge.	289	May 4	Carlowitz & Co.		
Towksbury L. Sweat	8 c	Griffin	Amer. bge.	660	May 7	Meyer & Co.		
Thomas Lord	8 c	Hall	Amer. sh.	1316	April 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Tullochgorum	...	Mason	Brit. 3m. sc.	175	April 20	Wieler & Co.	Haiphong	In Dock
Villa de Rivadavia	4 c	Carmus	Span. bg.	261	April 28	Brandao & Co.	San Francisco	
W. H. Deitz	8 c	Endicott	Amer. bge.	487	April 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Keelung	Coast Dock
Wealthy Pendleton	8 c	Banchar	Amer. bge.	809	April 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Woodlark	8 c	Largie	Brit. sh.	869	May 7	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
WHAMFOA								
Christian	Stehr.	.....	Ger. 3m. sc.	282	May 8	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Tientsin	
Eudoxia Adolphe	Valot.	.....	Fch. bg.	254	May 1	Carlowitz & Co.		
Gustav Adolph	Neemann	.....	Ger. bge.	300	April 21	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Novelty	Collier	.....	Brit. bge.	375	May 2	Rozario & Co.		
Vesta	Dirks	.....	Ger. bge.	302	May 8	Melchers & Co.		
CANTON								
Amoy	Drewes	.....	Brit. str.	814	May 10	Siemsen & Co.	Shanghai	
Bombay	Smith	.....	Brit. str.	749	May 9	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor-age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.

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the apparatus it was examined by the Committee, found in order, and stored in Messrs Norton & Co.'s godowns. The thirty-five cork lifeboats and twelve buoys ordered through Mr Lewis (arrived here safely, and were distributed in July. On trial they were found to be of much greater buoyancy than those made in the Colony, and are believed to be the best that can be made. In accordance with the feeling expressed at the last general meeting the question of having a lifeboat has been allowed to drop. Our former President, Mr. Ryrie, who took so great an interest in this movement having left the Colony, and Mr. Tonnochy, foreman of the central station, having also gone home on leave of absence, the meeting will have to appoint two other gentlemen to fill these posts and to elect officers for the year. The balance remaining in the hands of the treasurer is \$1,118.46. The number of members is forty, and it is hoped that now the typhoon season is setting in, others will be induced to join. Practice with the rocket apparatus will at once be commenced and one of the first duties of the committee will be to fix a head-quarters for the Society.

Statement of Accounts.

Dr. Paid for expenses of advertising, painting buoys, storage, insurance, printing, &c.,	\$56.54
Balance in hand,.....	1,118.46
	\$1,175.00

Cr. By Balance,.....	\$1,054.00
Cash from sale of sundries, 7.00	
Subscription (6 non-effective and 27 effectives),	114.00
	\$1,175.00

NOTES FROM BANGKOK.

A correspondent writing from Bangkok says:—"You may remember the liquor licenses issued formerly from the American and Dutch Consulates, about which so much talk was made, and by which the Siamese Government was so grossly defrauded. In fact, the loss was so great from the number of Chinese and Siamese who opened shops as servants of American citizens and Dutch subjects, that no one could be found to bid for the liquor farm, and the Government were compelled to run it themselves. But the introduction of a new broom into the American Consulate has brushed away these among other Consular cobwebs, and they only exist now as things of the past. But the fate of the Corps of Americans, who lent their names to the committal of these frauds and who shared Partridge's ill-gotten gains has been so sudden and so singular that it would almost lead one to believe in a Nemesis, even in this world. Of the entire body, but one remains in the business, and his establishment is his own and a bona fide one. One is dying from delirium tremens; a second died in the Consulate, where he dragged himself, destitute, sick and starving; a third is under sentence of two years' imprisonment at Batavia, for striking the driver of a public conveyance on the head with an iron bar; a fourth has fled to Hongkong, leaving many friends to mourn his loss; a fifth has repented, become respectable and gone over to the enemy by accepting a post under the Superintendent of Excise; a sixth is "spinning" and cadging about the native bazaar; a seventh—but it is useless to spin out the list. Amongst the whole lot I doubt if fifty dollars could be raised by the sacrifice of their entire property. Before entering on this trade all these men were in a fair comfortable way of living. One owned a handsome schooner of some 80 tons, another one or two coasting lorcha; some had good businesses, others were clerks in a fair way of rising; all were employed a d might have done well; now a more wretched lot of scabby sheep it would be difficult to find anywhere. 'Sic is life.'

However, to prove that it is not only American and Dutch who commit these frauds, I will join a copy of an extraordinary document now in existence at a floating house near the mouth of the Canal at Patne. My informant who saw the paper and took a copy of it, was told by the Chinese who held it that he had paid 80 ticals (\$36.00) for it. It was enclosed in an envelope bearing the Prime Minister's seal, and was regarded with great reverence. The sign is a British subject, though I do not suppose for a moment that the British Consul General knew anything about it. However here it is *verbatim et litteratim*—

"Public Notary by lawfully authority 1877, A.D.—Robert Joshua Gibbons duly admitted and sworn that I was present on the day of the date hereof, and I had been registered at your Honorable Court with such act—of Treaty regarding Foreign importing goods paid, 3 per cent. duties—I therefore save this letter of Attorney to Chin Huat, my commission Agents for sales of European Spirits of Wine for sale and several other small sundries during my absence from the said shop at Muang Kethu. And whereas Robert Joshua Gibbons in the cause are hereby especially commanded to Chin Huat.

Given this day at my present,

Bangkok 7th April, 1877.

ROBERT JOSUA GIBBONS,
at Kalahome's place."

Ridiculous as it may appear, I assure you this is a bona fide document shown to my informant who is a European. Mr. Gibbons, I may remark, whose English is so mysterious, is a half-caste, educated in Singapore. It is just possible that when at school there he may have contracted a habit of reading the *Strait Times* every day, which would satisfactorily account for his getting things very "mixed." Others assert that he essayed the study of law at the feet of that great Gamaliel, Thomas George himself, which would even more clearly elucidate the mystery, as comments scarcely more intelligible are not unknown in this part of the world, even with the talismanic characters V. R. on them.

The French barque *Marguerite* has been lost in the Gulf of Siam on a beautiful calm day and a smooth sea—very strange to the whole ship. A Chinese junk bound to Saigon passed within hail and went alongside. To give up his voyage, save the cargo (salt-petre) and land all the crew

in Bangkok, the Junk Master wanted Six Hundred Dollars (\$600); the Frenchman offered him four hundred, and after some haggling he agreed to take it; a written contract was entered into, by which the master of the French craft agreed to pay him the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) at the French Consulate here, on arrival. When Chinese John went to demand his money Jean Crapaud offered him \$100, and in his declining this offer of the generous Gaul, M. le Consul Français, (so the Chinese man says) took him by the collar, turned him round, pointed him fair for the door and vigorously working a No. 12 brogan in the immediate vicinity of the skates of his jacket helped him down to the river bank in splendid style. The policy of Great Britain has always been to encourage native boats to bring in any of her people found in distress on the sea; that of France, it would appear, is to induce the abandonment of her people to their fate under similar circumstances. Both nations know their own subjects best, and are the best judges of their value.

The King has a grand cremation on hand, and sports are the order of the day at the palace. His troops cannot begin to drill with those of the 2nd King.

Yours &c.,
HYE-OPENER.

Police Intelligence.
(Both Magistrates Sitting.)

14th May, 1877.

STOWAWAYS.

Cheung Akwan and four others were charged by Mr Leong Ahyon, a charterer of steamers, under the following circumstances. The complainant stated that he was the charterer of the steamer *Zamboanga* for a voyage to Cooktown and back via Saigon. The steamer left yesterday about noon. On the 12th instant, the complainant went on board and made an inspection. He found the first three defendants without tickets and they said that they were brought on board by the 4th and 5th defendants. The 1st said he had paid \$31 to the 5th defendant; the 2nd said he paid \$25 to an old man at the Tung Fung shop, and the 3rd also said he paid \$20 to the 4th defendant. He questioned the 4th and 5th defendants who were employees on board, of this affair; and the 4th defendant said he had received \$15 and that he would refund the money when he returned from Cooktown. As to the Tung Fung shop, no one had a right to sell tickets there; it was only the comprador of Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co. who could sell tickets. The present price of a ticket is \$3, but it was usually \$4. The 1st defendant said he obtained the passage ticket from the 5th defendant at the Tung Fung shop. The 2nd said he had got one from a man at the Tung Fung shop and paid \$20 for it. The 3rd said he paid \$20 to the 4th defendant, who said he could arrange to take the cook's business, which was that of the 4th defendant, who was the Chinese cook. The 4th said he only received \$15 from the 3rd defendant, who had offered to take his business on board. The 5th defendant simply denied the charge. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd were sent to one month's hard labour. The 4th and 5th were sent to two months' hard labour.

CHINA AFFAIRS AT HOME.
(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, April 7th, 1877.

We are still without any information as to what is to be done with regard to the Convention; nor does there at present seem to be much prospect of a decision being arrived at with respect to its ratification or rejection. I understand that Sir Thos. Wade is still busy preparing his explanatory notes; and, considering the complicated nature of some of the concessions which he has made, I should imagine he will find it has not a very easy task before him. The

extreme humanitarian party, who are endeavouring to get up an agitation among the working men on the China question, seem to be battering themselves that the delay in the publication of the Blue Book with reference to Yunnan results from a fear on the part of the Government that their policy in sending the Margary expedition will be condemned. Professor Besseley, at the preliminary meeting of working men which took place a fortnight ago, announced this as his opinion, and it ought to be an authority on the subject. A more absurd idea was probably never entertained. The real cause of the delay is, I imagine, that the Government are demanding further explanations from the Chinese and are not disposed so readily as was hoped to accept the complete failure of the Governor's investigation.

The attempt to get up a working man's demonstration is, I think, bound to prove an utter failure. Probably nothing more completely absurd has been set on foot since we first had anything to do with China. It was thought that the meeting was got up under the auspices of the Anti-Opium Society, and the London and China Telegraph, which gave a full account of the proceedings, stated that it was the meeting which led to the establishment of the Hongkong Mint, fifteen years ago, which, but for some trifling errors in its organization and management, might have continued to the present day.

Your Memorialists are most unwilling to trouble Your Excellency, thus early in your administration, upon a subject of such intricacy, but they cannot allow the Petition of certain Opium Merchants and others claiming that they represent the Chinese community, to pass unnoticed.

Your Memorialists believe that those men are not entitled to exceptional consideration, and that great injustice would be inflicted, especially upon Bankers, were they compelled to receive the "chopped" and defaced currency, as at present tendered. Those by whom such coin is paid in to-day, will to-morrow decline to receive it back, demanding that the cheques they bring be paid in notes. It has sometimes happened that the Banks, owing to a too ready disposition to oblige the public, have found their treasures encumbered with large quantities of these defaced and injured coins, their only outlet for which has been by remittance to the Mints in India for conversion into rupees. The average outturn, according to the assay table of the Bombay Mint, of 100 of these defaced coins is Rs. 225.108 as compared with Re. 226.251 the outturn of clean dollars; but a far more important item is the loss of interest, frequently ruling here at 1 per cent. per month, so that at the present time defaced Foochow currency is quoted at a discount of 1½ per cent., and much larger discounts have been sometimes required.

Your Memorialists would pray Your Excellency, should you deem any legislation at the present time desirable, that it may tend rather to raise than to lower the character of our local currency; and that no law may be passed to enforce the acceptance of coins entirely unsuited to a civilized community.

It is considered that insurmountable difficulties would arise in the adjustment of the nice distinctions between those

gible to the Chinese mind would be something in the following form: "A large gathering of coolies took place. Their headmen have raised the cry of no opium, and declare their intention to rebel against the English mandarins if they allow any more opium to be sold in India." It is to be hoped that the advisers of their Excellencies will let them know that a demonstration of the kind, however noisy, does not count for so much as might be imagined here.

The Envoy continue to go round and about to the various public buildings here. Among other places, they have been to the Mint, and their Celestial eyes must have glistened when they there beheld the horde of Barbarian gold and silver there awaiting to be coined. A hint was given to them by the Master that it would be a very good thing if a Mint were set up in China. No doubt it would be, but it would be a long time before the Chinese would trust a coinage issued by their government. Perhaps something might be done in the same way as was done with the Japan Mint, that is to establish it under foreign supervision; but I am inclined to think that even this would not overcome the very strong suspicion which (not without good reason) the Chinese have always felt for anything in the form of a coin issued by their officials.

Commercial affairs still continue in a very unsatisfactory condition. Tea is being forced off at auction at extremely low rates, and in silk it is almost impossible to effect sales at any price at the moment.

Speculation is rife as to the prospects of the European crops, but as yet the information obtainable is extremely vague.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

The following is the Memorial, to which we referred on Saturday:

The Memorial of the undersigned Bankers, Merchants, Professional Men, Traders, and other Citizens of Victoria in the Island of Hongkong.

Whereas ever since the founding of the Colony its currency has been a matter of serious inconvenience. One of the chief causes has been the prevailing habit of the Chinese to "chop" or stamp the dollars passing through their hands. This has had its origin in the extensive issue of debased and spurious coins in China, and the consequent anxiety to avoid recourse, it being understood that no shop can be called upon to exchange coin which may have paid away, upon which the Hong "chop" or stamp is not clearly discernible.

The usual practice adopted is to lay the coin upon the stone lintel of the door, or on the street paving stones, and then to strike it with a rough die by a heavy hammer. One "chop" is thus sufficient to destroy the symmetry and beauty of the coin; and when some tens, scores, or hundreds of "chops" have been added, the identification of either "chops" or coins becomes simply impossible. They are reduced to shapeless pieces of mutilated silver. The ideas prevailing elsewhere in favour of a ready recognition of a familiar image and superscription are abandoned, and the work of shroffage or examination of money, for which every one in other countries considers himself qualified, has in this little Island to be relegated to a class of professional shroffs, of whom there are hundreds in this place, and without two or three of whom no staff of any commercial house is deemed to be complete. Serious loss is thus entailed upon those engaged in business, whilst the great difficulty which is constantly experienced in deciding upon the quality of coins lead to incessant feuds between Chinese compradores and shroffs, frequently bringing into collision their employers also.

Your Excellency is well aware that the

best guarantee against forgery and spurious imitation, whether of Bank Notes or Coin, has been found in the popular familiarity

based upon simplicity of design and ex-cellence in execution, together with the genuine "ring" so easily recognised. This is rendered impossible by the existing system of defacement; whilst, at the same time, the greatest possible inducement is thus offered to fraudulent imitation.

Those of the Signatories, Bankers,

Merchants and others, who, on account of

the larger volume of their transactions, are

compelled to keep a comprador and a staff

of shroffs and collectors, are, in some

measure, able to defend themselves, but a

far larger number of Professional Men,

Traders, Shopkeepers, and Artisans,

besides a very considerable body of Naval,

Military, and Civil Servants, are seriously

inconvenienced by the defaced and mutilated

currency which is tendered to them.

Whereas it was the extreme dissatisfaction arising from the causes above enumerated which led to the establishment of the Hongkong Mint, fifteen years ago, which, but for some trifling errors in its organization and management, might have continued to the present day.

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happened that the Banks, owing to a

too ready disposition to oblige the

public, have found their treasures

encumbered with large quantities of

these defaced and injured coins, their only

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the character of our local currency; and that no law may be passed to enforce the acceptance of coins entirely unsuited to a civilised community.

Large portions of the Chinese population

are not only moderately educated and

defaced, and those which were too

much injured. Some persons argue that

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH to NEW YORK, via OVERLAND RAILWAYS, and TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, and SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 15th May, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passengers' Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitaishi S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 14th May. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, April 16, 1877.



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;

Also,

Bombay, Madras and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY's Steamship ZAMBESI, Captain SYMONE, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 10th May, at Noon.

For further particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, May 11, 1877.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

Also,

PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON SATURDAY, the 26th May, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. MEIKONG, Commandant FOUCHE, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 26th May, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUHEY,

Agent. Hongkong, May 12, 1877.

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Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 1st June, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 31st Inst. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. E. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877.

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INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

A GENOLES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary,

Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods in Mateships, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1877.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and; Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1806.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE, INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, January 8, 1875.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1878.

INTIMATIONS.

AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,

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and to

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Pouches, in Shape of Skulls, Hats, &c., and

a nice choice of Gilt Mountings for

Frames, &c.

Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

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NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

TANJONG

PAGAR DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED,

SINGAPORE.

THE BUSINESS of this Company was

Resumed immediately after the FIRE.

Vessels will obtain the usual Despatch and

Coal Supplies.

E. M. SMITH,

Manager.

April 23, 1877.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, May 12, 1877.

At 1110 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

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Highest. Lowest.

Cash. Cash.

Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 450 400

Ame. Sugar cured, " 300 250

Foopow, " 160 140

Beef, Arloin and prime cut, cy. 160 150

Beef Corned, " 150 140

Roast, " 150 140

Soup, " 100 90

Steak, " 160 150

Bullock's Brains, per set 60 50

Tongue, fresh, each 275 250

" corned, " 320 300

Head, " 600 500

Heart, " 150 140

Hump, Salt, " 110 100

Fest, " 50 40

Kidneys, " 60 50

Tail, " 100 90

Liver, " 80 60

Trip (undressed), " 50 40

Calves' Head and Feet, set 500 400

Hams, American, lb. 300 280

" Chinese, " 180 170

" English, " 360 340

Mutton Chop, " 190 180

" Leg, " 190 180

" Shoulder, " 140 130

" Liver, " 130 120

Pigs' Chittlings, " 60 50

Feet, " 100 90

Fry, " 110